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August 31, 1989

Mr. Lowell Braxton
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
3 Triad Center, Suite 350
Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Re: Barrick Mercur
Citizen Complaint

11/04/017

Dear Mr. Braxton:

This is to advise you that a complaint concerning the condition of the fence surrounding the Barrick Mercur tailings pond was received on 7 August 1989 by the Bureau of Water Pollution Control (the Bureau) from Mr. Leon Ault.

Mr. Ault represented that there are several places where the fence to prevent wildlife from drinking water from the tailings pond is in a state of disrepair and that wildlife is being impacted as a result. The problem is magnified due to the lack of watering sites in the area because of the dryness we are experiencing this year.

The Bureau does not have regulatory authority in this matter. We are forwarding this to your agency for action.

Please call if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Kiran L. Bhayani, P.E.
Manager, Design Evaluation
Bureau of Water Pollution Control

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cc: Division of Wildlife Resources